

#5 PCT

JC06 Rec'd PCT/PTO 21 OCT 2005

Patent Application No. 10/519,639
Paper Dated October 19, 2005
Attorney Docket No. 0470-048036

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/519,639 ✓ Confirmation No. 9145

Applicants : Jan Matthijs Jetten et al.

Filed : December 29, 2004

Title : Process for Cleaning Filters

Group Art Unit : Not Yet Assigned

Examiner : Not Yet Assigned

Customer No. : 28289

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

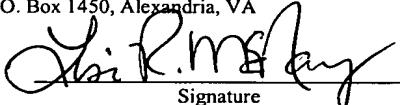
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit this Information Disclosure Statement, which includes a completed Form PTO/SB/08A and copies of the foreign references and article cited thereon.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on October 19, 2005
Date



Signature

Lisa R. McNany
Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

Patent Application No. 10/519,639
Paper Dated October 19, 2005
Attorney Docket No. 0470-048036

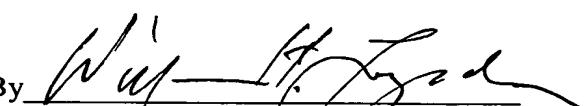
This application is the United States National Phase of PCT Application No. PCT/NL03/00461, filed June 23, 2003, claiming a priority date of June 28, 2002, corresponding to European Patent Application No. 02077580.5. Some of the references identified in Form PTO/SB/08A were cited in an International Search Report dated August 27, 2003 in the underlying PCT application. The relevance of these references is indicated in the International Search Report. English language abstracts of DE 195 03 060 and JP 4-267933 are enclosed herewith. The relevance of JP 9-290141 is indicated on page 2 of the specification. An English-language abstract of this reference is also enclosed herewith. The International Preliminary Examination Report dated November 11, 2004 indicates that the claims in the PCT application meet the international standards of patentability. The claims in the present application are similar to the claims filed in the PCT application and should be in condition for allowance for the same reasons set forth in the International Preliminary Examination Report. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report and the International Search Report is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), no fee is believed to be due for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, as it is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. However, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account 23-0650. One (1) original and two (2) copies of this Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

THE WEBB LAW FIRM

By


William H. Logsdon
Registration No. 22,132
Attorney for Applicant
700 Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219-1845
Telephone: 412-471-8815
Facsimile: 412-471-4094

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

1

of

2

Complete if Known

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Application Number | 10/519,639 |
| Filing Date | December 28, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor | Jan Matthijs Jetten |
| Art Unit | |
| Examiner Name | |

Attorney Docket Number 0470-048036

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Document Number | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|
| | | Number - Kind Code ² (if known) | | | |
| 1 | US- | 5,647,988 | 07-15-1997 | Kawanishi et al. | |
| 2 | US- | 4,740,308 | 04-26-1988 | Fremont et al. | |
| | US- | | | | |

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Foreign Patent Document | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T ⁶ |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------|
| | | Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known) | | | | |
| 3 | WO 99/15256 | | 04-01-1999 | NORIT MEMBRAAN TECHNOLOGIE B.V. | | |
| 4 | WO 98/45029 | | 10-15-1998 | PALL CORPORATION | | |
| 5 | WO 97/45523 | | 12-04-1997 | HEINEKEN TECHNICAL SERVICES B.V. | | |
| 6 | JP 9-290141 | | 11-11-1997 | KUBOTA CORP | Abstract | |
| 7 | DE 195 03 060 A1 | | 08-08-1996 | HENKEL ECOLAB & CO OGH | Abstract | |
| 8 | EP 0 733 594 A1 | | 03-22-1996 | NEDERLANDSE ORGANISATIE VOOR TOEGEPAST- NATUURWETENSCHAPPELIJK ONDERZOEK TNO | | |
| 9 | JP 4-267933 | | 09-24-1992 | FUJI PHOTO FILM CO LTD | Abstract | |

| | | |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|
| Examiner Signature | | Date Considered |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

{W0221857.1}

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|----|---|--|-------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------|--|---------------|--|
| <p>Substitute for form 1449B/PTO</p> <p>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</p> <p><i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i></p> | | | | <p><i>Complete if Known</i></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Application Number</td> <td>10/519,639</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Filing Date</td> <td>December 28, 2004</td> </tr> <tr> <td>First Named Inventor</td> <td>Jan Matthijs Jetten</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Art Unit</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Examiner Name</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | Application Number | 10/519,639 | Filing Date | December 28, 2004 | First Named Inventor | Jan Matthijs Jetten | Art Unit | | Examiner Name | |
| Application Number | 10/519,639 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Filing Date | December 28, 2004 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Named Inventor | Jan Matthijs Jetten | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Art Unit | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Examiner Name | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheet | 2 | of | 2 | Attorney Docket Number | 0470-048036 | | | | | | | | | | |

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| | | | |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| Examiner Signature | | Date Considered | |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.